

SEVEN NOBLE LIVES

The Number Known To Have Been Sacrificed in the Convent Fire.

ALL MIGHT HAVE SAVED THEMSELVES

The Christian Women Would Not Attempt To Leave Until Their Charges Were Safe—Bodies Found Kneeling as in Prayer.

Roberval, Lake St. George, Que., Jan. 7.—The convent burned here yesterday in which seven Ursuline sisters lost their lives was that of Our Lady of Lake St. John in Charge of the Ursuline sisters, a cloister order, and one of the oldest sisterhoods in Canada. Usually there are about fifty young ladies in attendance at the school, besides the nuns and other attaches of the establishment, making in all about one hundred inmates. Most of the students, however, were away for the holidays. When the alarm was given the nuns bravely undertook the task of rescuing those in their charge, and in this heroic task those who perished gave up their lives. From floor to floor of the doomed building these Christian devotees rushed through blinding smoke and lurid flame, sounding the alarm, and not until every one in their charge was warned of their danger and safety out off the building did they turn to the saving of their own lives. It was then too late, and, overcome by the heat and smoke, seven of these heroic sisters gave up their lives. Having seen their charges reach a place of safety they then, and only then, endeavored to save themselves, but their escape was cut off and they were not even able to reach windows from which to jump and take their chances in a leap for life. On every floor their dead bodies were found, some terribly burned, and others suffocated to death and kneeling in prayer. Those who escaped are being well cared for at the hotels and private residences of the villages.

DESPERATE FIGHT IN A JAIL.

A Convicted Millionaire Double Murderer Rescued by a Fellow-Prisoner.

St. Louis, Jan. 7.—Arthur Duestrow, the convicted millionaire double murderer, made a terrible attack upon George Kendal, a burglar, as the latter was passing his cell during exercise hour yesterday afternoon. "Hello, Moneybags," Kendal sneeringly said. Duestrow pretended not to hear him. "Hello, cigarette fiend," said Kendal, tauntingly. Still there was not a word from the condemned murderer. "Hello, crazy." In an instant the cell door was thrown open and Duestrow was upon Kendal like a madman. The attack was so impetuous that Kendal was thrown to the floor. Duestrow leaped upon his prostrate body, kicking him repeatedly about the face and head. As he did so he cursed like a demon. Kendal shrieked for help and guards came to his assistance. Kendal is badly injured.

New Method of Enforcing Liquor Law.

Amsterdam, N. Y., Jan. 7.—Plattsburgh has three liquor dealers who are, it is alleged, dispensing intoxicants without securing a liquor tax certificate. The matter has been brought before the grand jury of the county, but indictments did not follow. Accordingly, in order to protect the state, Excise Commissioner Lyman has evolved the idea of restraining the trio from trafficking in liquor, through the aid of injunctions. Applications for injunctions have been made. This is the first case of the kind in the state.

\$20,000,000 Mortgage Recorded.

New York, Jan. 7.—A mortgage has just been filed with Register Scherer, the consideration involved being \$20,000,000, and is given to the Farmers' Loan & Trust company by the Commercial Cable company, pledging all the telegraph properties, rights, privileges and franchises, including those of the Postal Telegraph company. The mortgage is given to secure an issue of 500 4 per cent. gold bonds and debenture stocks, which aggregates the sum of the mortgage.

Another Inaugural Defeat.

Madrid, Jan. 7.—Dispatches from Havana give details of the recent victory achieved by Gen. Luque over the insurgent leader, Maximo Gomez, in the province of Santa Clara, the advices saying that Gomez left 105 dead on the field of Arroyo Blanco. The dispatches also assert that there are only a few small bands of rebels now left in the province of Pinar del Rio, and that these are fast melting away.

D. & H. Canal Company Reduce Dividends.

New York, Jan. 7.—The directors of the Delaware & Hudson Canal company yesterday afternoon voted to reduce the dividend on the stock from 7 to 5 per cent. per annum. This action was taken in consequence of the shrinkage of business of the year.

Requests to Charity.

Bangor, Me., Jan. 7.—The will of Augustus D. Manson gives the Bangor Public library \$10,000 for a building and the Children's Home and Home for Aged Women \$5,000 each.

GOV. BLACK'S SUGGESTIONS.

Heads of The Various State Departments Carefully Consider His Message.

Albany, Jan. 7.—The ideas expressed by Governor Black in his message to the legislature upon the operation and administration of the civil service are to be embraced in a bill to be drafted by assemblyman Henry E. Abell of Brooklyn and introduced at an early date. Mr. Abell was chairman of a legislative committee which investigated the administration of the civil service laws and is familiar with the subject. The main feature of the governor's position on civil service is that he thinks an appointing officer should have the power to make an appointment from the whole number of candidates who qualify after taking a civil service examination instead of such appointing officer being confined in making an appointment to the highest on the eligible list as is at present the case. The governor's message was carefully read by the heads of the various state departments and the various suggestions made carefully noted. His recommendations regarding the urgency of keeping prisoners employed is, General Lathrop the superintendent of prisons, says, receiving his earnest and undivided attention. Superintendent Kilburn of the state banking department is considering amendments to the building and loan association law, such as the governor suggests, to make the management of such associations economical and sound. The heads of the labor departments of the state department are in sympathy with the governor's suggestion that an endeavor should be made to see if the English scheme of university extension, whereby information could be furnished which would form a basis for the friendly adjustment of differences between labor and capital, could not be put in operation in this state. The adjutant-general's office is in entire accord with the governor's suggestion that a state cruiser be provided for the state naval militia, and with the implied suggestion that the military law be changed so that a major-general can be appointed to act as commander-in-chief of the national guard, and have his own staff, to take charge of such national guard affairs as now devolve upon the governor's staff. The governor's reference to the serious accidents which result at grade crossings, has already received the attention of the state railroad commission, but laws suggested by them in previous years have not passed the legislature. Gen. Higbie has in preparation a bill providing for good roads, which would carry out the governor's ideas upon this subject. Superintendent Skinner of the department of public instruction has long advocated the establishment of truant schools, which are suggested by the governor's message. Gov. Black's expression in favor of the forests being preserved is in entire accord with a bill which will be introduced by a special committee of the last assembly, providing for the issue of \$1,000,000 bonds to purchase lands in the Adirondacks.

Illinois Legislature.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 7.—The senate and house of representatives constituting the fortieth general assembly of Illinois were opened at noon yesterday, and Gov. Altgeld's last message to the legislature was read and both branches adjourned until Monday next. It is the general talk that practically no further work in connection with the senatorial contest will be done this week. The party leaders have left town and will not return until Sunday at the latest. Meanwhile, the senatorial candidates, Madden, Mason, Hitt, Carr and Alleton remain on the ground to see that no advantage is gained over each other.

Decision Against Pulitzer.

St. Louis, Jan. 7.—The supreme court at Jefferson City has decided the case of Jones vs. Pulitzer, for the control of the Post-Dispatch of this city in favor of Jones. The decision sustains the opinion of Judge Valliant of the circuit of St. Louis, in granting a permanent injunction restraining Joseph Pulitzer and the directors of the Post-Dispatch from interfering with Col. Charles H. Jones' control and management of that newspaper under a five years contract held by the latter, which continues in force until 1901.

To Investigate Mora Claim Payment.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Senator Chandler, in executive session yesterday afternoon, offered a resolution directing the committee on foreign relations to investigate the recent payment by Spain of the Mora claim, and to ascertain in connection therewith if any assurances of any sort were made to Spain as the attitude of this government towards the Cuban insurgents.

More Honor for Col. G. F. Hall.

Boston, Jan. 7.—Col. George F. Hall, inspector-general of rifle practice, who goes out of office to-day with the retiring staff of the late Gov. Greenhalge, has been honored by Lieut. Gov. Wolcott, who has directed that he be made a brigadier-general, to date from Jan. 1. The added rank is given for valuable services rendered the commonwealth while holding the position of inspector-general of rifle practice.

DEMANDS IGNORED

Feeling in Congress Against Members of the Cabinet.

THE PRESIDENT IS ALSO BLAMED

No Attention Paid to Requests of Some Members for Information on Subjects Under Discussion, It Is Claimed.

Washington, Jan. 7.—The feeling is growing in the senate and house, and especially in the latter body, that there is a disposition on the part of certain administration officers to ignore requests from congress for information on certain matters, especially when such a request comes from any one who is not in accord with the president's views on the subject in question. This was illustrated yesterday when Mr. Grosvenor, rep., O., addressed the house on a question of personal privilege. He called attention to the fact that a resolution introduced by him and adopted by the house June 3, last, calling upon the heads of the several departments for certain information as to the operation of the civil service law had as yet received no response from any one of the cabinet officers. He felt justified, he said, in raising the question whether or not congress had been properly treated in this regard, expressing the opinion that this silence of seven months showed that the heads of the several departments as well as the executive himself had begun to ignore the demands of congress. A resolution asking each cabinet officer to inform the house why no response had been made to the original resolution was agreed to without division.

Loud Postal Bill.

The principal features of the Loud postal bill which passed the house last evening by a vote of 144 to 105 after two days' debate are those denying to the mails as second-class matter sample copies of newspapers and serial novel publications and withdrawing from news agents the privilege of returning to their principals at the pound rate unsold copies of periodicals. The general debate was closed by Mr. Loud in a half-hour's speech in favor of the bill, preceding which Messrs. Milliken, rep., Me.; Wanger, rep., Pa.; Tracey, rep., Mo.; Morse, rep., Mass.; and Bingham, rep., Pa., addressed the house in opposition to the bill. The two hours devoted to a consideration of the bill under the five minute rule was productive of no change in the text, as referred to the committee of the whole.

No Interest in Senate Work.

The senate to-day is without any fixed programme and the proceedings are devoid of interest. The friends of Mrs. Maybrick, now confined in an English prison under life sentence, need look for no assistance from the senate, as it was plain to be seen yesterday, when the joint resolution requesting the government of Great Britain to pardon the unfortunate woman was taken from the calendar, that there was no intention to take any action, and the resolution was indefinitely postponed. The resolution was reported adversely last session. Mr. Call's resolution instructing the president to demand the immediate release of Sanguly, referred to the foreign affairs committee, will probably be allowed to rest there during the remainder of the session. In a long speech on the subject of the resolution the case of Charles Govin was discussed quite as much as that of Sanguly. The statements of the Spanish officials that Govin's death resulted from wounds received in battle were discredited, and the assertion was repeated, on the authority of a person whom Mr. Call did not name, but who, he said, was to be a member of the next congress, that Govin had been tied to a tree and cut in pieces with machetes by a squad of cavalry riding past. The two cases, Mr. Call said, were types of what was occurring to hundreds of American citizens in Cuba, and it only needed investigation by the senate to "take the cover off that scene of butchery." As to a combination of European powers against the United States, Mr. Call declared that there was no danger of such a thing, in view of the effect which it would have on the masses of the people in European countries, and that the sympathies of mankind would be with the American republic in such a struggle.

The Flight from Bombay.

Bombay, Jan. 7.—The mill operatives and their families are quitting the city, thus adding a quarter of a million of unemployed to the country districts. It is now estimated that 225,000 persons have fled from the city as a result of the spread of the bubonic plague, scattering contagion in the villages of the country.

Cornell Prize Debate.

Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 7.—President Schurman has announced the following list of judges for the '94 memorial prize debate at Cornell: Hon. J. B. Stanchfield of Elmira, Hon. John W. Church of Norwich and Henry P. Emerson, superintendent of education of the city of Buffalo.

ALLISON NOT IN IT

Says He Is Not To Be a Member of McKinley's Cabinet.

SHERMAN FOR SECRETARY OF STATE

The Impression Now Prevails That the Ohio Senator Is Likely to Accept That Portfolio—Bliss for the Navy.

Canton, O., Jan. 7.—Senator Allison said, after his conference yesterday with Major McKinley, that he was not a member of Major McKinley's cabinet and it was learned to-day that this determination was reached some days ago and that Major McKinley learned of it through friends. The president-elect and Mr. Allison discussed cabinet possibilities from Iowa and other states and talked over the whole political situation. The impression prevails here that Senator Sherman is likely to be secretary of state and Senator Allison, who seems to have this opinion, spoke of him in high terms, declaring that he would make a strong and admirable officer at the head of the department of state. Gen. Felix Agnus of Baltimore lunched with Major McKinley and Senator Allison. He is strongly opposed to the appointment of James A. Cary of Baltimore to the cabinet. Major McKinley returned to Cleveland last night and will remain there till the first of next week.

BLISS FOR THE NAVY.

Believed That His Call on McKinley Was in Connection with Cabinet Matters.

New York, Jan. 7.—An evening paper prints the following: "Cornelius N. Bliss, who returned yesterday from Cleveland, O., where he met President-elect McKinley by appointment at the home of Chairman Mark Hanna, said: 'I had been intending to call on Major McKinley ever since the election. A month ago I expected to meet him in Cleveland, but was unable to get away from home. This time I was able to get away, and we had a very pleasant talk together. We talked on various matters, but my lips are sealed as to what passed between us. I can positively say nothing about our conversation.' Mr. Bliss smiled and made no protest when addressed as 'Mr. Secretary of the Navy.' Some time ago it was announced that Mr. Bliss had been selected for the navy portfolio in President McKinley's cabinet. A report from Cleveland says that while there Mr. Bliss agreed to accept the place. He declines to discuss this report.

Nominations of Postmasters.

Washington, Jan. 7.—The president has sent to the senate the following nominations of postmasters: Massachusetts—Emma L. Lombard, South Ashburnham. New York—Mary A. S. Kavanagh, Lawrence. New Jersey—Benjamin L. Williams, West Orange. Pennsylvania—Andrew J. Bard, Slippery Rock; Ransom L. Clark, Galtoun; Jacob P. Criss, New Wilmington; Margaret B. Doonan, Dunbar; George Luhn, Etna; A. A. Swingle, Peckville.

Baseball Players Exchanged.

Indianapolis, Jan. 7.—A deal has just been consummated here that is of interest in national baseball league circles and especially to Cincinnati. The deal is a trade whereby William Dammann, the left handed pitcher of the Indianapolis club, goes to Cincinnati in exchange for Catcher Kehoe, Billy Gray, the Red's utility man and Frank Foreman, pitcher.

Canada Seeking Immigrants.

London, Jan. 7.—Sir Donald A. Smith, Canadian high commissioner in London, has written a letter to the newspapers advising those who contemplate emigrating from Great Britain and Ireland to go to Canada. The high commissioner recites the advantages presented by Canada and offers to furnish all information desired upon application.

Morton's Washington Residence.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Ex-Gov. Levi P. Morton's handsome residence on Scott circle in this city, which was occupied by him during his term of office as vice-president of the United States, has been leased to Charles R. Sprague, the millionaire congressman-elect from the Eleventh Massachusetts district.

Street Electric Railway Incorporated.

Albany, Jan. 7.—The Auburn & Western Railway company, capital, \$300,000, has been incorporated by the secretary of state. The company will operate a street surface electric road eleven miles long from Auburn to the village of Seneca Falls.

Postoffice Fraud Orders.

Washington, Jan. 7.—The postoffice department has issued a fraud order against the Union Drug company of Boston, and has revoked one issued in October against the Advertisers' News company and C. H. Vultee, its secretary, New York city.

Death of a Famous Military Man.

St. Louis, Jan. 7.—A special from the City of Mexico announces the death there of Maj.-Gen. Miguel Negrete, one of the most celebrated military men of Mexico.

ALBANY CENTENNIAL

The Celebration Brought to a Close Last Night with a Grand State Ball.

Albany, Jan. 7.—The celebration of the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the state capital at Albany was brought to a close last night with a brilliant state ball at the armory, at which Gov. Black and staff, Lieut. Gov. Woodruff and other state officers, senators and assemblymen, members of the city government and many other prominent citizens, together with their wives and families participated. The anniversary exercises were in charge of a state commission appointed by the governor and a committee of 100 of Albany's leading citizens. The day parade and attendant exercises of the centenary celebration began in the afternoon. Gov. Black, Mayor Thacher and the citizens' committee met in the executive chamber and proceeded to the State street entrance of the capitol, where they were met by a military escort. Carriages had been provided for the members of the legislature and other distinguished guests, and led by the governor the route to Harmanus Bleecker hall was taken up. The exercises at the hall were most impressive in character. Gov. Black acted as presiding officer. Letters of regret were read from Gov. Morton, who had been named to deliver the opening address, and also from President Cleveland and President-elect McKinley. Ex-Lieut. Gov. Alvord of Syracuse delivered the opening address. The historical address of the day was made by Chauncey M. Depew. His remarks were well received by an appreciative audience of over 5,000 people who crowded the hall. W. H. McElroy read a commemorative poem. The Rt. Rev. William Crosswell Deane, Episcopal bishop of Albany, brought the exercises to a close with the benediction.

CONNECTICUT LAW MAKERS.

Both Branches of the Legislature Convened and Gov. Cooke Is Inaugurated.

Hartford, Jan. 7.—Both houses of the general assembly of 1897 convened here yesterday in a heavy snow storm. The house was called to order by Representative Samuel Frisbie of Farmington, the oldest member, in the absence of Speaker Fessenden of Stamford of the house of 1895. The oath was administered to 235 of the 252 members. Joseph L. Barbour of Hartford was elected speaker, receiving 208 votes, to 28 for C. G. Beckwith of New London. Other officers of the house were elected as follows: Clerk, F. A. Scott, Plymouth; assistant clerk, F. F. Healy, Windsor Locks; chaplain, Rev. W. A. Richard, Hartford. After fixing February 4 as the last date for receiving business, the house took a recess. The senate was convened by State Secretary Mowry, all the members being present. Officers were elected as follows: President pro tempore, senator W. H. Marigold of Bridgeport; clerk, Samuel Eddy of North Canaan, (who received 17 votes to 7 for George A. Kellogg of Vernon); chaplain, Rev. H. H. Thompson of Hartford, and a corps of messengers and doorkeepers. The senate then took a recess. The house decided to meet again on Tuesday, Jan. 12, at noon, and the senate at 12:30. At 2 o'clock the senate convened, and Lieut. Gov. Dewell took his seat as presiding officer. Soon after both houses met in joint convention, where Lieut. Gov. Dewell presided. Gov. Cooke and staff and the new state officers entered the chamber. The governor read his inaugural address and the joint convention dissolved. The senate and house re-assembled and, after appointing the usual committees as decided upon in caucus, adjourned.

Gov. Cooke's Inauguration.

Hartford, Jan. 7.—Lorrin A. Cooke of Winsted, the last elected of a long list of governors of Connecticut, elected by the largest majority ever polled by a candidate for the office, was inaugurated yesterday. Four companies of Governor's guards, the two companies of horse and foot from New Haven and the two companies of horse and foot from Hartford received him at the Allyn house and escorted him, the new staff officers and the new state officers to the capitol through the principal streets. Gov. Cooke rode in an open carriage drawn by four horses and accompanied by Gov. Coffin. During the parade a salute of seventeen guns was fired on Bushnell park. The four companies were drawn up in line on the north front of the capitol and the governor and his escort left the carriages and entered the capitol between two rows of interested spectators.

Civil Service Competitive Examination.

Albany, Jan. 7.—An open competitive civil service examination for the position of chief clerk of the state board of charities will be held at Albany, February 3. The salary of the position will be from \$1,200 to \$1,500.

The Greater Utica Bill.

Albany, Jan. 7.—The bill introduced yesterday by Assemblyman Philo, providing for a greater Utica, contemplates the annexation to the city of a portion of the towns of Deerfield, Marey, Whitestone and New Hartford.

BIG SALT SHIPMENT

A Train of 160 Cars Leaves Silver Springs, N. Y.

BOUND FOR NEW ENGLAND PORTS

Made Up in Three Sections and Carried 5,450,000 Pounds of Salt—Accompanied by Members of Salt Company and Reporters.

Silver Springs, N. Y., Jan. 7.—One hundred and sixty cars loaded with 5,450,000 pounds of salt left here yesterday, consigned to New England firms. The train was the Worcester salt special. The vast shipment made up the finest freight train ever put together. The cars were handsomely decorated with vari-colored banners. The train will go over the Erie railroad to Jersey City, and thence by the Consolidated road to Boston. A large crowd was gathered about the train, and as it started there was great cheering. The first section has attached a private car for representatives of the press and officials of the Worcester Salt company. In the party are F. P. Collins, Boston Journal, and C. W. Williams, New England Grocer. The shipment contains 14,232 barrels packed with salt in bags and bulk, and 10,774 sacks not in barrels. If the barrels in the train were placed standing one on top of the other, the most elevated would be six miles high.

Binghamton, N. Y., Jan. 7.—The "Worcester Salt Special Train," which started from Silver Springs, N. Y., yesterday, arrived here in three sections at 6 o'clock last night. This is the shipment of one commodity ever made. The officials of the salt company, together with prominent Erie railroad officials and representatives of the press, banqueted at the Bennett hotel last evening. Two of the sections of the special left for Port Jervis last night and started east from there this morning. The third section left Binghamton on the Delaware & Hudson at 7 o'clock this morning.

Cuban Campaign for Liberty Prospering.

New York, Jan. 7.—Delegate Palma of the Cuban junta in this city has just given out the following statement: "I have received a letter from Gen. Jose Lacret, who is in charge of the Matanzas province, and who the Spaniards claim to have killed several weeks ago. General Lacret writes me that everything is prospering in the province and the Cubans have started two newspapers, which show that they are not always fighting. He further states that he is expecting General Gomez in his province and is making preparations to receive him. He reports everything within the Cuban line to be prospering."

Kansas Bonds Offered Cheap.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 7.—Holders here of \$75,000 road certificates of the county of Wyandotte, Kansas, containing Kansas City, have assigned them to a local attorney for a compromise, if possible, at 50 cents on the dollar. The county for a long time paid interest on the certificates, but then defaulted, and the default was sustained in the courts, and payment of the certificates, which was approved by commercial interests of the county, was defeated by the populist legislature.

To Teach the Folly of Gambling.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 7.—Application was made to Mayor Farnsworth yesterday by a person from New York for a license to open an establishment in this city to prove to young men the impossibility of winning money by faro, roulette, policy and other gambling games. He was referred to Dr. Newman Smith by the mayor who will decide about the license to-day.

Bankers' Sentences Commuted.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 7.—Gov. Altgeld has commuted the sentence of Charles J. and Frank R. Meadoveroff, convicted of receiving deposits up to the time their bank in Chicago was placed in the hands of a receiver, from one year in the penitentiary to sixty days in jail.

Boyer Died from Nervous Prostration.

Reading, Pa., Jan. 7.—Edward S. Boyer, aged 38, who had charge of the coal department in a general store here, and who was accused by Miss Clara Gable several weeks ago of poisoning her with a stolen sealskin cape, is dead. Boyer denied the charge and the girl was arrested on the charge of stealing it. She was tried and acquitted. The next day Boyer's mind gave way and he expired last evening from nervous prostration.

Oregon Ordered to Sea.

Washington, Jan. 7.—The battleship Oregon, Captain Howison commanding, has been ordered to sea from San Francisco on the 13th inst. for drill and target practice, and after a cruise of ten days will probably arrive at San Diego.

Work for 1,500 Men.

Seranton, Pa., Jan. 7.—The South steel mill of the Lackawanna Iron & Steel company was put in operation to-day after an idleness of four months. Fifteen hundred employes get work by the resumption.

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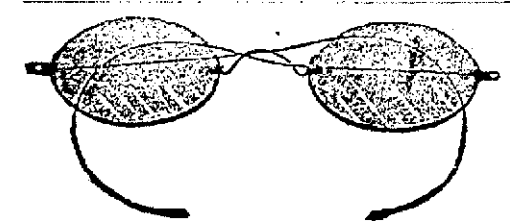
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[Special Chicago Letter.]
As far as late winter modes are concerned everything is settled, and those high in authority in matters pertaining to dress declare we need not look for any decided changes for at least six weeks or two months. This is indeed most pleasing news, for certainly fashions were never prettier or more fetching than at the present moment. Outer



VELVET AND CHIFFON BLOUSE.

garments as well as gowns are chic and handsome, and so extremely varied in both design and texture as to prove universally becoming to the maiden or the matron, be she slim and sylphlike or of more generous proportions.

The fancy for bright colors seems rather to wax than wane as the season advances. The subdued greens, the dull blues and the somewhat dingy tones of terra cotta, which seemed to us once upon a time the only colors possible to wear, have vanished altogether. Now the most vivid shades of purple, emerald green and sapphire blue, deftly mingled with deep yellow and brilliant red, shine upon us with varying degrees of brightness from all the newest winter models, whether they be gowns, wraps or millinery. When tastefully arranged bright colors are really beautiful and we should all rejoice at their increasing popularity, if for no other reason than that they help to lighten in a great measure the gloom of our rather dismal northern winter. The color that leads in popular favor at the present moment is purple in all its pretty shades, from the brightest to the very duldest tone; and so far is this craze carried in the world of millinery that no hat is considered quite up-to-date which does not boast among its varied trimmings an immense bow of purple ribbon, preferably of a bright tone, and one or more bunches of violets.

The prevalence of fur as a trimming grows in favor from day to day. Look which way you may, the eye is certain to light upon a gown or mantle that has succumbed to its many charms, although it is to be remarked that artists in the modish world prefer quality to quantity, when using this rich garniture. Both narrow and broad bands of seal-skin are much sought after for trimming velvet and silken gowns, and strange and incongruous as it may seem, the best results are achieved when this trimming is used in combination with soft chiffon and lace.

Velvet also continues to play a most important part in decorating modish winter garments, and mirror velvet, showing an exceedingly rich and lustrous surface, seems to be the kind most in demand for this purpose. Artistic costume makers counsel against quantity when this handsome material



AN EXQUISITE CREATION.

is used, and also advise against its admixture with fur, wisely reasoning that one but serves to cheapen the other. On the other hand, plain velvets take most kindly to trimmings of soft fur, and some of the sweetest gowns imported for midwinter wear have these two most tastefully combined in skirt and bodice decoration. For instance, a regal-looking costume seen within the week made of cloth in a most exquisite shade of green, had placed at the bottom of the rather narrow skirt a broad band of green velvet, outlined with handsome dark fur, while the little velvet bolero, opening over a full front of pale green chiffon, was lined throughout with cream-colored satin and trimmed with a narrow edging of the fur. It would be difficult to imagine anything exceeding this in simplicity, and yet it was a gown that provoked universal admiration, not to say envy. Apropos of the bolero, quite the newest thing in this line is formed of four small pieces of velvet cut so to overlap each other as to form sharp points in front. A lovely bolero of this description to be worn at a holiday

festivity is made of emerald green velvet, embroidered with small turquoises, and each point prettily outlined with jeweled passementerie. It will be worn over a bodice of fine black chiffon, closely accented-plaited, made high in the neck and with long tucked sleeves extending over the hand in the most proper manner. The collar band is of turquoise-blue satin ribbon, over which plaited frills of pale blue chiffon fall softly, repeating in the most charming manner the turquoise blue of the embroidery.

In spite of all rumors and predictions to the contrary, blouses remain as popular as ever, and never were they more attractive or fascinating than this season. They come made up in all sorts of material, from the dainty flannel waist so neat and trim with its turn-over collar and cuffs of spotless white linen intended for morning wear to the most elaborate confections in rich velvets, broad satin and misty chiffons, enriched with jeweled embroidery and softened with priceless lace. Some of the newest and prettiest models are composed of bright-hued silk and trimmed with rows upon rows of narrow black velvet ribbon, while others again have only the standing collar, cuffs and bolero outlined with three rows of velvet ribbon. The blouses shown in the illustrations are among the latest designs and both are strikingly chic and stylish. One is made of geranium-red velvet, a shade of red, by the way, that is marching right along in popular favor, and trimmed with ivory-white silk and lace. It is intended for evening wear, with a plain satin of moire silk skirt. The other is much more simple in both design and material and the home dressmaker will find it an easy model to copy.

To trim or not to trim is the question that confronts my lady these days when she orders the skirt to her new gown. A glance at many of the very latest importations shows that the trimmed skirt has the warmest support of some of the best-known dressmakers, while, on the other hand, equally reliable authorities in modish circles condemn it entirely and claim that for absolute good taste, when given a handsome material to work upon, there



WINTER OPERA CAPE.

is nothing to equal in beauty and grace the perfectly plain skirt. It is well to bear in mind, however, that it takes a master hand to cut and hang the plain skirt to perfection, and unless one is morally certain of the ultimate good result it is wiser to have a trimmed skirt, for often trimming, like charity, covereth a multitude of sins. The new skirt is very like unto the old one, except in width; and last year's skirts can be easily altered into this season's shape. Without the least hint of the bustle the very latest skirt stands out in the back instead of falling in as formerly and this most desirable end is brought about by means of a closely-wired skirt which some enterprising artist in this line has recently put upon the market. These skirts come in all sizes and range in price from five dollars up to fifty, the "up" depending on the material used in the construction; and if half the merits claimed for them be theirs one should find a place in the wardrobe of every well-dressed woman.

There never was a time when headgear was so generally becoming as at present. Large velvet hats have quite superseded those made of chenille which created such a furore at the opening of the season. Hats with velvet rims and richly-embroidered crowns are quite the proper caper, as are also red hats with trimmings to match.

Bonnets are beginning to be restored to favor, and many of the new shapes are so smart that they can be worn by quite young girls as well as married women. A lovely little black velvet bonnet had for its sole trimming large choux bows made of magenta satin ribbon in a very brilliant shade; and another with pointed brim something like the old-fashioned poke, made of cherry-red velvet, had upstanding bows of lace placed in front, held in place by three tiny pink ostrich tips.

Evening cloaks seem to grow in costliness as time goes on. One seen recently is well worth describing, as it is specially typical of the mode of the moment. The material employed was a handsome broad satin in a floral design of pale pink roses. The mantle was very wide and full, covering the gown beneath completely, and the deep sling sleeves were very wide and full, giving ample room for the sleeves of the evening dress. It was lined throughout with white fox fur, while the deep roll collar was of sable. The one given in the picture is of a more useful description, but very effective in its way. It is made of printed velveteen lined with quilted satin and trimmed with Thibet goat.

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MOUNT SALEM.

Additions to Church Membership—A Leap Year Sociable—Recovering from His Injuries—Personal Notes.

(Correspondence Agents and Members)

—The holiday season was spent very quietly by the people of this vicinity and nothing but a few family gatherings and a social or two occurred.

—We did not have as much good of the snow in this section as other places. It drifted so badly that it was neither good sleighing nor wheeling.

—There were twelve added to the membership of the Mount Salem Church, Sunday morning last, who were given the right hand of fellowship by the Rev. Mr. Edwards.

—The leap year social at Mr. Scofield's on New Year's Eve was a social success and much enjoyed by the young people who watched the old year out and the new year in with hearty good cheer.

—Miss Clara Van Inwegen and family, of this place, and her son, Ellis and his family, of the mountain, spent New Year's Day at Mr. Tibbels', of Unionville.

—Miss Clara Van Inwegen has been on the sick list, the past few days.

—Miss Barbe, of Newark, N. J., returned home Sunday morning after spending a week with Miss Florence Edwards, of this place.

—J. T. Hoyt and his son, Nelson, of Middletown, spent Sunday at the Hoyt homestead.

—Charles Courtwright, of Howells, spent the holiday week visiting friends here and in the Clover Valley.

—Mrs. S. L. Rhodes and daughter, of New York city, are spending a week, visiting her father, A. B. Hoyt and other friends near this place and Unionville.

—Ed. Carpenter is spending a few days visiting friends in New York city.

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Wheat, No. 2, 1907	19.75
Wheat, No. 3, 1907	19.10
Wheat, No. 4, 1907	18.45
Wheat, No. 5, 1907	17.80
Wheat, No. 6, 1907	17.15
Wheat, No. 7, 1907	16.50
Wheat, No. 8, 1907	15.85
Wheat, No. 9, 1907	15.20
Wheat, No. 10, 1907	14.55
Wheat, No. 11, 1907	13.90
Wheat, No. 12, 1907	13.25
Wheat, No. 13, 1907	12.60
Wheat, No. 14, 1907	11.95
Wheat, No. 15, 1907	11.30
Wheat, No. 16, 1907	10.65
Wheat, No. 17, 1907	10.00
Wheat, No. 18, 1907	9.35
Wheat, No. 19, 1907	8.70
Wheat, No. 20, 1907	8.05
Wheat, No. 21, 1907	7.40
Wheat, No. 22, 1907	6.75
Wheat, No. 23, 1907	6.10
Wheat, No. 24, 1907	5.45
Wheat, No. 25, 1907	4.80
Wheat, No. 26, 1907	4.15
Wheat, No. 27, 1907	3.50
Wheat, No. 28, 1907	2.85
Wheat, No. 29, 1907	2.20
Wheat, No. 30, 1907	1.55
Wheat, No. 31, 1907	0.90
Wheat, No. 32, 1907	0.25
Wheat, No. 33, 1907	0.00
Wheat, No. 34, 1907	0.00
Wheat, No. 35, 1907	0.00
Wheat, No. 36, 1907	0.00
Wheat, No. 37, 1907	0.00
Wheat, No. 38, 1907	0.00
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Wheat, No. 46, 1907	0.00
Wheat, No. 47, 1907	0.00
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Sometimes, when a young child is feverish and fretful with sleeplessness, an outing in the cool, fresh air will put him to sleep when all other remedies have failed. No medicine is equal to sleep. Many threatened dangers are carried off in sound, quiet, peaceful sleep. Never allow a little child to sit up to "see company."

Little children should imitate the regularity and early hours of all the wild birds and other creatures of the forest who are not midnight prowlers. Five o'clock is none too early for the supper of children, under five and six o'clock is the proper time for their bedtime. Bread and milk is the simple supper which is best for children of this age. Delicate children are much better if they adhere to these early hours and to this simple supper, even though they are much older than five years.—N. Y. Tribune.

NANSEN AT HOME.

The Great, Strong, Simple Man and His Little Daughter.

After carefully showing me the route of the Fram, as well as his own and Johansen's course in their perilous journey alone over the ice after leaving their ship, the charts were cast aside on the floor and Dr. Nansen proceeded to describe, in the simple, direct manner so characteristic of him, some of the rumberless interesting incidents of his voyage. Evidently thrilled by his earnest voice and manner, Liv, his little girl, who had been playing in a corner of the room, drew nearer, and unconsciously she walked upon the original records of her father's route. The picture of this tiny, half-shy child, standing spellbound listening to her father's voice, with the priceless charts of his famous voyage beneath her feet, contrasting with the tall, muscular figure of her father, who towered above her, with bronzed face, his hair and mustache several shades lighter than the skin, his massive hands, discolored and scarred by hard usage, reaching lightly and lovingly upon the little child's head, immediately impressed one with its dramatic effect. Around the room lay polar bear skins and odds and ends connected with the voyage. The table was piled with papers, all systematically arranged, the walls were covered with presentation studies from the most famous Norwegian artists, representing ice and snow effects. But, despite the interest of the surroundings, one could see nothing, think of nothing but the man himself—the great, strong, simple man who was speaking.—English Illustrated Magazine.

FOR THE HOUSEHOLD.

Odd Bits of Information on Matters in General.

Browned flour is almost as necessary to keep on hand in the store closet as white flour. To brown flour put a thick layer of flour into a baking pan and place it in a hot oven. Watch it and stir with a spoon until the flour is well browned all through. When it becomes cold put it into empty preserve jars and cover them closely. It will then be ready to use in making gravies and sauces or whatever it is needed for.

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In testimony whereof, I have hereunto caused the seal of the said County Court of the county of Orange, State of New York, to be hereunto affixed. Witness my hand and the seal of said County Court of said county this 20 day of November, 1896.

JOHN I. BEATTIE, County Judge of Orange County.
WILLIAM F. O'NEIL, Attorney for Assignee, doat 671 Jan 1

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THURSDAY, JAN. 7, 1897

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THE BUSINESS OFFICE OF THE "ARGUS" IS OPEN EVENINGS FROM SEVEN UNTIL EIGHT O'CLOCK.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY CHIEF PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Fair to-night; Friday probably fair but with increasing cloudiness; westerly to southerly winds; slight change in temperature.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the reading of the thermometer at Frank's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., 26°; 12 m., 32°; 8 p. m., 33°.

AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION.

—Jan. 8.—Toma Talk, at Casino.
—Jan. 11.—Printer's ball (masquerade), at Assembly Rooms.
—Jan. 15.—Bachelor Club hops.
—Jan. 21.—Mouhaquee House Co.'s "stuck" at truck house.
—Feb. 15.—McQuoid Engine Co.'s fair, at Assembly Rooms.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Fresh fish at Harford's market.
—Clothing at a sacrifice at Chas. Wolff's Sons.
—Great slaughter at Weller & Demerest's.
—Get a present at Medley's, Saturday.
—Boy wanted at this office.
—Dance at Cottage Hotel, to-night.
—Meeting of Driving Park Association Jan. 12.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Toma Talk in McFadden's Row of Flats, at the Casino, to-morrow night.
—Don't fail to hear and see "Toma Talk in McFadden's Row of Flats," at the Casino, Friday evening.
—Regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of Thrall Hospital, to-morrow afternoon, at 4 o'clock.
—The officers of Middletown Lodge, I. O. O. F., will be installed, to-night. A banquet will follow the installation exercises.

—The Hudson River ice men are becoming worried about the ice crop. The houses are all empty.
—It is now thought that Flanagan, the young man who was badly pounded in a prize fight at Low Point, Dutchess county, Sunday morning, will live but will be permanently paralyzed. Many of the spectators at the fight have been arrested.

—The First National Bank, of Warwick, has declared a semi-annual dividend of five per cent.
—A pleasant surprise party was given at the home of George Van Keuren, No. 146 Cottage street, last evening.
—A number of Middletown people attended the wedding of Robert Knapp and Inez Cuddey, at Spring Glen, Ulster county, Tuesday evening.

—Case D-Witt, who lives near Quaker town, Pike county, has lost within a few days three quarts of blood as a result of severe attacks of nose bleed.
—The ladies interested in McQuoid Engine Company's fair, will meet at the engine house, this evening at 7:30 o'clock, to perfect their arrangements.

—William Jerome and Miss Maude Nugent both composers of popular music such as "My Pearl is a Flowery Girl," "Sweet Maggie O'Grady," "He Never Came Back" and many others, will appear at the Casino, to-morrow evening.

PERSONAL.

—R. Brewster Beattie returned to Princeton Theological Seminary, to-day.

—Mrs. George T. Bryant went to Newburgh, to-day, to visit her sister Mrs. C. E. Townsend.

—Joseph Engleman, the Monticello cigar manufacturer, was in this city, to-day, looking after the interests of his trade, which is quite extensive here.

—Richard Knight, who spent the holidays here with his family, has returned to his home at Stockport, Pa.

—Miss Maggie Flann, of Port Jervis, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. John Farrell, on East Main street, returned home, to-day.

HYMENEAL.

Goble-Rackett.

A large company of relatives and friends gathered at the residence of J. W. Rackett, near Westtown, last evening, to witness the marriage of his daughter, Miss Alma, to George Goble. The ceremony was performed at 6 o'clock by Rev. Mr. Newson.

—Miss Bertha Goble, sister of the groom, was the bridesmaid and Willard Rackett, brother of the bride, was best man.

After the ceremony and congratulations a wedding supper was served and the remainder of the evening was spent in social amusements.

Mr. and Mrs. Goble drove to this city, last night, and stopped at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. Geo. W. Potter, No. 4 Oak street. This morning they took train 38 for New York. After a short wedding tour they will take up their residence at Westtown.

STOLEN REWARD, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one divided disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

A WHOLE OUTFIT FOR FIFTY CENTS

Horse, Wagon and Harness Won't a Battle by Two Well Known Young Men—Makes Lots of Fun for the Boys.

A few days ago, Geo. H. Iremann and W. H. Roosa, bookkeeper for the Middletown Beet Co., came into possession of a horse, wagon and harness which they had no use for and decided to dispose of by chance. Their friends, most of whom like themselves had no use for the rig, cheerfully helped their scheme along and last night the drawing took place and the lucky number was 50, held by Louis Wolff and T. Ed. Hayes, who had each invested twenty five cents on the chance.

This morning the rig was driven through as many of the principal streets as possible with a placard attached to the horse on which appeared this announcement in letters that all could read: "For sale by Louis Wolff and T. Ed. Hayes."

The rig was driven to Mr. Wolff's store and formally delivered to him. Mr. Wolff sent the horse to a stable and promised to have his innings before night.

The new owners sold the outfit, this afternoon, to Arthur McShane for \$7.50.

SHOT AT THE BOUNCER.

An Italian Reverts Ejectment From a Questionable Resort—No One Hurt.

The residents of the eastern part of the city were aroused, last night, by the sound of several pistol shots, in quick succession, and in a few moments an Italian was seen running at breakneck speed through Railroad avenue. None of the onlookers had the temerity to stop the fellow and he escaped up the O. and W. tracks.

Some of the more curious citizens started on a tour of investigation and found that the man had been ejected from a house of questionable repute in the neighborhood, and in revenge had fired several shots at the "bouncer."

The latter, however, was a good dodger and managed to escape injury from the flying leaden missiles.

Owing to the nature of the business in which the intended victim was engaged it is not at all probable that any complaint will be lodged with the police.

THE SALT TRAINS.

Pass Through This City, This Morning—A Crowd at the Depot to See Them.

The much advertised salt trains passed through this city over the Erie, this morning. There were four trains, one at 5:50, one at 6:13 and the other two following each other a block apart on the schedule time.

Attached to the third section was a buffet car, in which were J. M. Duran, general manager of the Worcester Salt Co. and patentee of the process by which the salt is manufactured; Lorenzo Benedict, secretary of the company; F. P. Collins, of the Boston Journal, and C. W. Willis, of the New England Grocer.

Those who missed seeing the train need have no regrets. There was nothing to see but an ordinary Erie freight train, on each car of which was a banner with the words "Worcester Salt Special;" another with the name of the firm to which the car was consigned, an advertisement of Worcester Salt Co. and a little flag on the top of each car. Only that and nothing more except that it is a great big advertisement for the Worcester salt.

INDOOR BASE BALL

A Very Exciting Game at the Armory, Last Night.

A very exciting game of indoor base ball was played at the Armory, last evening, between teams representing the third and fourth sections.

The fourth section men clearly outclassed their opponents and won easily by a score of 30 to 19.

The victorious team, flushed with its victory, has issued a challenge to the first section of any other team of the company for the championship.

The teams were as follows:

THIRD SECTION.	FOURTH SECTION.
G. M. Mill-paugh.	J. W. Conkling.
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D. Constable.	B. Townsend.
H. Gould.	J. H. Cummings.
P. G. Roosa.	C. T. Dickerson.
L. Vail.	C. Shanon.
B. Conkling.	C. T. Tannery.
J. Gray.	O. W. Donald.

A NEW FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

The Highland Mutual, of Newburgh, Organized, Yesterday.

The directors of the Highland Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Newburgh, met in this city, yesterday, and elected Chas. H. Mead, President; A. Y. Weller, Vice-President and Robert R. Tuttle, Secretary. The directors are: Chas. H. Mead, Cornwall; Hon. Louis F. Goodsell, Highland Falls; A. Y. Weller, Newburgh; W. H. Senior, Montgomery; W. F. Cassidy, Newburgh; Holland Embley, Cornwall; Col. Chas. H. Shepard, Middletown; Robert R. Tuttle, Newburgh; Chas. E. Mauller, Cornwall.

The company, although incorporated under the mutual insurance law, will be conducted in the same manner as the stock companies. The capital stock, \$100,000, is now being subscribed.

REAL ESTATE SALES.

—Case & Taylor have sold for David R. Miller his house and lot, No. 7 North Beacon street, to James M. Lynch. Mr. Lynch will make his home at above location about Feb. 1st.

Cocoa and Chocolate are Healthful! The goods made by *Anglo-Siam* are sold by ALL DRUGGISTS.

RECTOR EVANS TO REMAIN.

Bishop Potter Refuses to Accept His Resignation as Rector of Grace Church.

Rev. David Evans will remain as rector of Grace Church, Bishop Potter having refused to accept his resignation. Mr. Evans was notified of the Bishop's decision in the following very kind and appreciative letter which he received, this morning.

DIOCESAN HOUSE,

LAFAYETTE PLACE,

NEW YORK, Jan. 6th, 1897.

MY DEAR MR. EVANS:—Since I wrote you last I have had an interview with a deputation from your vestry and also a formal communication from that body invoking my interposition in connection with your resignation, under the provisions of Section II, Canon 4, of Title II of the Digest. The vestry requests me, pursuant to the power and authority there vested in me, to withhold my consent from the dissolution of the pastoral tie between Grace Church, Middletown, and yourself, and I beg to signify that, after mature consideration of the whole situation, I have so decided. I trust you will cheerfully acquiesce in this decision and advise the authorities of the church in Tacoma accordingly.

You are to be congratulated, I think, upon so remarkable a demonstration of the devotion of your people and of the whole community in which you live, and I cannot doubt that the new opportunity thus given to you will be welcomed by Grace Church as a summons to more unselfish devotion to the sacred interests of which you and they are in charge. Believe me, affectionately yours,

H. C. POTTER.

The Rev. David Evans. There is not a person in Grace parish who is not glad to learn that Mr. Evans is to remain in Middletown and citizens generally, who know Mr. Evans' worth and respect and esteem him for his earnestness, zeal and devotion to duty, will rejoice that Middletown will continue to be his field of usefulness.

THE WEEK OF PRAYER.

Large Congregation Present at the Union Services, Yesterday.

There was a very large congregation present, yesterday, at the union services at the First Presbyterian Church. The services were in charge of Rev. Dr. W. A. Robinson, pastor of the First Congregational Church.

After singing and the reading of the scripture by Dr. Robinson, Dr. Wilson, of St. Paul's M. E. Church, offered prayer. Another hymn was sung and Dr. Beattie, of the Second Presbyterian Church, led in prayer.

The subject assigned for the day by the evangelistic alliance was "Nations and their Rulers." Dr. Robinson spoke at some length upon the topic of the day after which prayers were offered by Rev. J. W. Norris, Rev. F. A. Heath and A. B. Hartout. Some remarks were then made by Dr. Wilson and the meeting closed with prayer by Dr. Robinson.

The meeting, this afternoon, is in charge of Rev. F. A. Heath. The topic for the day is "Foreign Missions."

Funeral of Mrs. Harriet Warren.

Dr. Beattie conducted funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Harriet Duer Warren at her late residence, 115 South street, at 4:15, yesterday afternoon. Mrs. C. H. Suezzer sang two selections. The remains were taken to New York, this morning, on the 10:45 train and the interment will take place in Trinity Cemetery, this afternoon.

BUSINESS CHANGE.

A. K. Dewey Buys George W. Bross's Interest in the Bross & Mundy Grocery.

A. K. Dewey has purchased of George W. Bross his interest in the grocery business of Bross & Mundy and has taken possession to-day. The firm will hereafter be Dewey & Mundy. Mr. Dewey has had experience in the grocery business in Monticello and will doubtless add materially to the large business that this store has done.

Mr. Bross has no definite plans for the future, but has several things in view.

RECEPTION TO THE ORANGE COUNTY BAR.

Given by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bacon in Honor of Judge Hirschberg.

A reception in honor of Judge Hirschberg, to the bar of Orange county, was given by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bacon, at their pleasant home in Goshen, last evening. The elegantly appointed home of the host and hostess was thronged by the legal gentlemen who in response to the invitations extended them generally attended, and a delightful evening was passed in social intercourse and the enjoyment of the hospitable entertainment most bountifully provided by Mr. and Mrs. Bacon. It was after 11 p. m. when the reception was over and the guests took their leave.

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Confirmation Services at St. James' Church—Local and Personal Notes—Appropos to the Dead Year and Its Successor.

From a Special Correspondent

—Bishop Potter confirmed a class of twenty persons at St. James' Church, on Sunday morning, some of whom were from Chester. The Bishop's address was unusually impressive.

—The Ladies' Whist Club was entertained last Saturday afternoon by the Misses Youngs, of East Division, at the home of Charles Copper in this village.

—Mrs. Grace Lockwood, who has been spending a part of the winter with relatives in New York, has returned to her home in this village.

—Miss Ethel Hosford, of Brooklyn, spent the holidays with relatives in Goshen.

—Miss May Lewis, of Troy, is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. H. C. Duryea.

—Well, so poor old '96 has gone the way of some eighteen hundred or her predecessors, and we are through crying "The King is dead—long live the King," in honor of that puny little upstart, '97, who has recently stepped upon the stage; puny little wackling as he is as yet and yet big with the fate of many people. As the footsteps of the old year die away in the distance, echoes seem to follow them, echoes of vanished laughter and tears.

Some there were who watched his passage with bowed heads for did he not take from them that which made this earth a bright and happy place, while others would fain have laid hold of his garments and kept him reticent longer, for to them he brought only joy and blessings. As he vanishes from our sight and becomes one of the things of the past we cannot but wonder if his many predecessors are not awaiting him with some anxiety and curiosity to hear of his experiences while upon this busy planet. One can imagine the long spectral rows wagging their hoary old heads as they compare notes of by-gone twelve-months, chuckling as they listen to fresh tales of the follies of mankind, or perhaps bewailing their venerable beards with a kindly tear or so at the story of his sufferings. There is one thing that the new year always brings with him, although we will not always allow even to ourselves that we notice its presence, and that is Hope. Discouraged as we may be at the end of the old year at the thought of its failures and disappointments, we can never quite help feeling that possibly tightly clasped within the baby fingers of its successor, may be something of value to us, so that by applying to him we may hear of something to our advantage. At any rate let us enjoy what brightness he may have in store for us and when his smiles turn to frowns, why let us just set our teeth and bear them as well as circumstances, our dispositions and the condition of our digestions will allow and at the end of the twelve months we shall probably be much surprised to find how comfortably we have lived through them.

G. B.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

Of Concordia Council, Royal Arcanum

The officers-elect of Concordia Council, No. 1,977, Royal Arcanum, were installed, last night, by District Deputy Grand Regent, T. N. Little. They are as follows:

Regent—J. C. Spiegel.
Vice-Regent—F. W. Elliott.
Orator—H. W. Wiggins.
Secretary—T. N. Little.
Collector—R. M. Cox.

Treasurer—F. M. Barnes.
Chaplain—J. C. Mullison.
Guide—L. V. Sinsbaugh.
Warden—J. E. Adams.
Sentry—M. Katzinger.

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Three 25c Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs for 50c.]

WELLER & DEMEREST.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

A Town of Deep Park Farm Case—A Former Middletowner's Suit Against the Erie-Southern Damages for Ejectment From a Farm—The Suit Dismissed.

GOSHEN, Jan. 7.—The parties in the case of Henry Wulstein vs. Carl Schreiner and another, which was tried yesterday afternoon, are Germans and it has proved somewhat difficult to understand. Part of the testimony has been given in German, and interpreted into English. Mr. Wulstein lived on a farm belonging to his daughter, Anna, in the town of Deep Park. The farm on this place was burned and in 1895 he stored, by permission, hay, corn stalks and some bags of beans, of the value of \$200, in the barn of a neighbor, Mrs. Klaus, whose farm adjoined. Mrs. Klaus afterwards sold her farm to defendants during the absence of Wulstein from the neighborhood. When Wulstein returned, some months after the sale, he found that the hay, corn stalks and beans had disappeared, and he was unable to obtain any satisfactory account of them. This suit was then brought to recover the value of these articles.

The defense was that Mr. Wulstein, at Mrs. Klaus' request, showed defendants all over the farm, including the barn and its contents, when they looked it over with the view of purchasing, and he told them that everything in the barn, which at that time contained the articles in question, went with the farm. They had a receipt from Mrs. Klaus, which mentioned hay, corn and corn stalks as included in their purchase. Wulstein said he had a little hay in a box and he was given permission to leave it there. The box, which contained the hay and was nearly full, turned out to be a box stall, seven feet high, 10x12 feet wide, which was a very different kind of a box from what they had supposed.

The jury handed in a sealed verdict about 7 o'clock, last evening, and were discharged. The verdict was read at the opening of court, this morning, and was for the defendants.

FOR EJECTMENT FROM AN ERIE TRAIN.

At 4:45 p. m., the case of George Miller vs. John King and another, as receivers of the Erie, was called and a jury sworn. The action, as explained by attorney for the plaintiff, John W. Lyon, is brought for damages suffered by being ejected from an Erie passenger train, March 10, 1892.

Mr. Miller, who, at that time, was a workman in the Middletown glass factory, in company with a fellow workman named Rose, bought at Middletown a ticket for Sparrowbush and was assured that the train then due would stop at that station. About an eighth of a mile west of Port Jervis, the conductor, who took charge of the train at that place, informed Miller and his companion that the train did not stop at Sparrowbush and stopped the train and ejected them from it.

A motion to dismiss the complaint, made by Mr. Bacon, attorney for the Erie, immediately after the opening address of his opponent, was denied.

Court then adjourned until 9 o'clock, Thursday.

The case of George Miller vs. John King and another, as receivers, was resumed, this morning.

The testimony of Mr. Miller and of his companion on the train, Mr. Rose, was taken and was substantially as set forth by Mr. Lyon in the opening.

The testimony for the defense did not materially differ.

Mr. Bacon then moved for a dismissal of the case which, after brief argument, was granted. The court ruled that if the action had been brought for breach of contract plaintiff would be entitled to recover whatever damages he could prove he had sustained. The action being, however, for exemplary damages for an unlawful ejectment from the train the court could not see that any case of unlawful ejectment had been made out. An exception was taken and the case will again go to an appellate court.

The case of R. S. vs. King, as receiver, when a companion case to this one, will abide the result.

The remainder of the calendar for the day was then called. No cases were ready and at 10:10 the court took a recess until 10:30 o'clock, Friday morning.

THE GRAND JURY.

From the grand jury room there are reports of a large number of cases under consideration of the grand jury.

Over ten of such cases are reported, two of them being from Middletown. The latter cases are being pressed by James Law, special agents, who have been investigating the manner in which the law was being carried out in the city.

A member of the grand jury informed me today that no indictments were returned by the grand jury in the case of the law have yet been found, though he could not say what the ultimate action of the grand jury might be.

A MISSING HEIR FOUND.

Henry Durycia Claims the Property of His Uncle, the Late Theo. Wilkin.

From our Goshen correspondent.

When the late, John Wilkin, who resided near La Grange, died, some time ago, he left property approximately valued at \$25,000. The heir to this estate is Henry Durycia, who formerly resided in this section but whose whereabouts at that time were unknown. Tuesday afternoon, he unexpectedly arrived in town on train 11 from New York city. He came to have spent the past several months at Poughkeepsie.

It is now stated that there will be about \$2,000 set for Mr. Durycia when the estate has been finally settled.

A MIDDLETOWN BOY'S SUCCESS.

Frank S. Gannon Elected Vice-President and General Manager of the Southern Railway.

Frank S. Gannon, a former Middletown boy, a brother of Engineer John A. Gannon, of the N. Y., S. and W. road, is fast making his mark in the railroad world. He began as an operator on the Erie in 1868 and has recently been elected Third Vice-President and General Manager of the Southern Railway Co., with headquarters at Washington, D. C.

After leaving the Erie Mr. Gannon was connected with the N. Y., S. and W., later with the Long Island road and then with the New York and Northern, of which he became General Superintendent in 1881. In 1886 he was made Superintendent of the Staten Island Rapid Transit road and since the acquisition of that road by the B. and O., represented its interests in New York city until his election to the offices above named by the Southern road.

Mr. Gannon's many friends in this city will be pleased to learn of his advancement and wish him still greater success.

O. AND W. SUMMER HOMES.

The Work of Compiling the Edition for 1897 Already Begun.

The New York, Ontario and Western Railway Company has already begun the compilation of its "Summer Homes," descriptive of the various resorts located on its lines. Each year 25,000 copies are issued, and gratuitously distributed among the homes of thousands in New York, Brooklyn, Jersey City, etc., desiring summer board. There is no better means of bringing before the summer boarder your hotels and boarding houses than this elaborately illustrated book, and as the charge for inserting advertisements is placed at a less figure than the actual cost to the company of publishing them, it should be taken advantage of by all.

"Summer Homes" blanks for space may be obtained from any agent of the company or by addressing J. C. Anderson, General Passenger Agent, 56 Beaver street, New York. None will be received after February 15th, and in order to secure a good representation, applications should be sent in at once.

AT THE CHILDREN'S HOME.

The Little Ones Kindly Remembered During the Holiday Season.

During the holidays the children at the home on Beattie Hill have been the recipients of many generous offerings from the kind people of Middletown.

The liberal impulses were shared also by many of the children, among whom were Miss Parsons' class of girls of the Congregational Church, who on Christmas eve royally entertained the children with a bountiful supper, pleasing exercises and a Christmas tree containing for gifts every child.

Many gifts were also contributed by the Boys' Mission Band of the Second Presbyterian Church and the Blue Ribbon Club. To all these is extended a grateful acknowledgment for their kind remembrance of the little ones at the home.

S. C. WINTERS, Matron.

Jan. 4, 1897.

Ecclesiastical Next Social.

The committee of Ecclesiastical Hook and Ladder Company appointed to make arrangements for the January social met, last evening, and decided to hold the same at the Assembly Rooms, Monday evening, Jan. 18th. Invitations will be extended to all who were not members of the company who participated in the recent production of the Mikado.

Population of the State Hospital.

According to the Conglomerate there were, Tuesday, 1,186 patients in the State Hospital for the Insane, in this city, of whom 590 were males and 596 were females. During the week three patients were admitted and eight discharged.

Funeral of Mrs. Gilmore.

The funeral of Mrs. Martha Gilmore took place at 2 o'clock, this afternoon, at the residence of S. G. Giden, 143 Wickham, avenue. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. F. L. Wilson.

The body was taken to Scotchtown and buried in the family plot.

A Full Lock-up.

Fifteen tramps and one drunk shared quarters in the lock-up, last night. The fact that the poor drunk had been compelled to pass the night in the company of the hobos was considered by the Recorder a sufficient punishment for his offense and he was discharged.

A Year Without a Winter.

From the Downstate News.

A citizen of this place calls to mind the fact that about thirteen years ago a game of case ball was played on one of the river flats near the village. New Year's day, the players participating in the sport in their shirt sleeves. It was a year without a winter.

Will Not Send a Delegate to Indianapolis.

The Board of Trade held a special meeting, yesterday afternoon, and quickly reached the conclusion that it was inexpedient to send a delegate to the monetary convention in Indianapolis.

To Install Port Jervis Old Fellows.

District Deputy Edward Winkler and staff will go to Port Jervis, this evening, to install the new officers of Attila Lodge, I. O. O. F.

INSTALLATION CEREMONIES.

The Newly Elected and Appointed Officers of Luther Lodge Installed.

The newly elected officers of Luther Lodge, I. O. O. F., and the officers appointed by the Noble Grand elected were installed, last night, by District Deputy Edward Winkler, assisted by Henry Emde as Grand Marshal, Cuno Musbach as Grand Warden, A. Forthoff as Grand Secretary, and Theo. Frank as Grand Treasurer. After the installation the officers and members present adjourned to Theo. Frank's hotel where an excellent supper was served.

The following are the lodge's new officers:

N. G.—Conrad Gerhardt.
V. G.—Albert Neigle.
Rec. Sec'y.—Philip Neuberger.
Per. Sec'y.—C. H. Emde.
Treas.—Henry Emle.
Trustee (3 years)—John Adelman.
R. S. N. G.—A. Forthoff.
L. S. N. G.—John Balling.
R. S. V. G.—Charles Keener.
L. S. V. G.—John Henning.
R. S. S.—Henry Portzig.
L. S. S.—F. F. A. Behme.
Warden—John Adelman.
Conductor—Joseph Umann.
I. G.—David Koeper.
O. G.—Wm. Schwartz.

ORDER OF SOLO.

Progressive Lodge Re-organized in This City Tuesday Night.

The re-organization of Progressive Lodge, in class B. No. 143. Order of Solon, took place, Tuesday night, in their rooms, No. 14 North street, under the management of Supreme Organizer Capt. John L. Gann with fifty-six charter members, this being the same number with which class A was instituted in this city, Nov. 19, 1890, which has since paid to its members some \$2,300 in sick benefits. The following officers were elected:

Past President—F. A. R. Pronk.
President—R. M. Rorty.
Vice-President—Archie Gordon.
Secretary—A. B. Wheeler.
Treasurer—J. J. Silk.
Chaplain—Georgia Schwartz.
Marshal—N. E. Markle.
Sentinel—Isaac Wallace.
Guard—J. G. Picot.
Trustees—Edward Fannett, F. M. Crandell, Phil. Gorr.

This association is incorporated under the act of Gen. Assembly of Pennsylvania, approved April 6, 1893, and pays its members from \$8 to \$30 per week as sick benefits. The charter is still open to all good citizens of both sexes.

EDENVILLE.

A Family Reunion—A Sociable—Numerous Personal Items.

Correspondent Argus and Mercury.

—Mrs. J. H. Knapp, of Newton, has been spending a few days with her parents and friends near this village.

—John Dewitt and family have returned from a week's visit at Port Jervis.

—Charles Elston, principal of Bloomingburgh school, was in town calling on friends, last Friday. Mr. E. is an earnest worker in the cause of education.

—G. S. Everett has been confined to the house, a few days, with a severe cold but is able to be about again.

—Mr. and Mrs. Fulton Chardavoyne made a brief visit to Goshen, last Sunday.

—The Misses Jennings have returned from an extended visit among relatives at Pine Island.

—Farmers were preparing to gather in, but the warm weather has caused a general break up of the ice.

—The reunion of the Dusenberrie family, that was held at the residence of W. J. Dusenberrie, was an interesting social event.

—Miss Lizzie Barton is visiting relatives at Orange Farm.

—The solemn given to the children of the M. E. Sunday school was well attended. The children enjoyed themselves with games and other pastimes. Then they were entertained by addresses from the officers of the school, which were highly appreciated.

BEAVERKILL.

Suffered a Paralytic Stroke—On the Sick List—Home for the Holidays.

Correspondence Argus and Mercury.

—Aaron Scudder is in a very critical condition from the effects of a stroke sustained about a week ago. His left side is completely paralyzed.

—Alfred Bussey is on the sick list, this week. Last week his wife was in the same condition.

—Miss Maud Davidson was home for the holiday vacation.

—Mrs. Jay Davidson has returned from Jersey City.

—The Morrissey girls were all home for the holidays. There are several of them, and it makes quite a company when they all get together.

The O. and W.'s Earnings.

The Ontario and Western reports earnings for the fourth week of December of \$88,809, a decrease of \$3,981 from the corresponding week last year. The earnings for December were \$270,803, a decrease of \$28,152 from December, 1895. The earnings from July 1st are \$2,003,901, an increase of \$57,956 over the corresponding period last year.

Elder Benton Jenkins Near the End.

Elder Benton Jenkins is very low. He was conscious this morning but so weak that he was unable to speak or to take notice of anything going on about him. It is not believed he can survive many hours longer.

HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache.

Easy to take, easy to operate. 25c.

No Horses to Be Used on Newburgh's Horse Carts.

Newburgh's aldermen have adopted a resolution forbidding the use of horses in drawing horse carts or horse wagons to fires. Lawson Hlose has used a horse for some time and Highland Engine Co. recently ordered a horse wagon and proposed to use a horse on it. The action of the council has aroused no little feeling among Newburgh firemen. The reason assigned for the resolution is fear of suits for damages from reckless driving. The firemen say they will use mules.

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for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.

DANCE at Cottage Hotel, to-night.

BOY Wanted to learn the Printer's Trade. Enquire at this office.

FRESH FISH of all kinds at HARFORD'S Market, fresh to-day.

WANTED on Bond and Mortgage, 6 per cent. \$1,000, \$500 and \$250. MERILL & BURKE, Wilcox Building, No. 57 North street.

CHAMBERS' White Pine Balsam is guaranteed to cure four cough or cold. Large bottles 25c. Try it. Made and sold only at CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street.

EXTRACTING with gas. No. 60, 60th street. No charge for extracting when artificial teeth are to be inserted. Best teeth \$6, \$8 and \$10 a set. Twenty years' experience. 92 West 11th St. DR. ROBINSON, 44 and 46 James St.

CLAIRVOYANT—PROF. W. H. SAGENDORF has left town and will return to Middletown the 15th of January, 1897, and remain one week at Wm. S. Roe's, 37 James St. 18d & wlmch17

DAN'S Kidney Pills are doing some great work in this city. The genuine for sale at CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street.

PIPER, PIPES, PIPES.

I will offer this week, at my store, pipes at a great reduction. Now is the time to buy. Don't fail to come in and examine my stock, as I have the largest assortment to select from in the city. Electric Cigar Store, No. 12 North street, Middletown.

HARDING'S Handkerchiefs, price 12 cents. Keeps coat, vest and pants in good shape, all at the same time. A fine Christmas gift. G. F. HARDING, Mr., Wurtsboro, N. Y.

FOR SALE—Hotel, boarding houses, farms and private residences—also properties to rent. Enquire of ELMER PITTS, 10d & wlmch17 Bloomburgh, N. Y.

YOU cannot walk on the points of nails with comfort under the same conditions. To have your shoes "SOLED" with the nailing process is summer madness. CHAS. the shoemaker's new method dispenses with nailing.

M. C. FREER has opened a paint and paper hanging business at 83 Winer avenue. All work guaranteed to be satisfactory. Prices very reasonable.

TASS, Pennyroyal and Cotton Root Pills, women's friend. A safe, prompt and reliable remedy for all obstructions. Agency at CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street.

PAPER Hanging at 12c a roll; also all kinds of painting. Estimates on all work cheerfully furnished. EMIL MARTINI, Shop 6 Academy Ave.

GOOD Barn for rent. W. C. DOYLE, 24 Benton avenue.

PAINTING, Paper Hanging, Decorating—CHAS. J. KIDD, JR., 70 Academy avenue. He is prepared to do work in the above lines, in the best style and at reasonable rates. An experience of several years in New York City enables him to guarantee first class work.

HEADQUARTERS for Weather Strips at No. 1 Railroad avenue. Put them on now and keep warm. CHAS. Z. TAYLOR.

FARM FOR SALE—Eighty acres of choice land, ten miles east of Des Moines, Iowa, with good seven-room house and outbuildings. Good wells, a young orchard. Parties want to go west. For further information enquire of 502 Madison W. W. PRESTON, Clarkson, Iowa.

BREAD Winner Cook Stove, size 8, first-class condition, and good baker; Stoves and Furnaces cheap at the EXCHANGE AND MART CO., No. 40 East Main street.

WANTED—Agents—\$200 a week sure to work. New goods. New plans. It is a winner. Every family needs it. Sell at right. THE SCHOLAR SPECIALTY CO., 45 E. 4th St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

THE Annual stockholders' meeting of the Middletown Gas and Electric Light Co. will be held at the office of the company in this city, at 3 p. m., Jan. 20th, 1897, for the election of Trustees for the coming year. The stock looks well. Closed from Jan. 15th to 21st, both inclusive.

G. T. TOWNSEND, Secretary. Middletown, N. Y., Dec. 1st, '96. 1671

LODGING—The store now occupied by the H. Bank, No. 7 King street, and used as a planning establishment. Possession given Feb. 1, 1897. H. R. WILSON.

PAUL T. L. JESTER, Teacher of the Science of Manly Art, and Physical Culture and Natural Development. Museum Treatment a specialty. Casino Building.

ANY One having copies of the Proceedings of the Board of Supervisors of Orange county, for the years 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, can dispose of them by bringing them to this office.

THE Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Middletown Fair and Driving Park Association will be held at the Russell House, Tuesday morning, Jan. 12th, 1897, at 10 o'clock, for the purpose of election of directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

All persons having bills against this Association will send them to the Secretary at once. All persons owing said Association will please remit the amount due before Jan. 12th, 1897.

W. F. ROYCE, Secretary. Middletown, N. Y., Jan. 6th, '97.

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and each succeeding Saturday, each of our will receive a SPECIAL PRESENT. Our Meat is high grade and our prices are moderate, and satisfaction guaranteed to everyone. Our Home-Cured Hams and Bacon are very fine.

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3 1/2c for Turkish Towels, not large.

1c for 280 Pins.

4c per bottle Petroleum Jelly.

1c for 25 Needles.

1c for 41 Wire Hair Pins.

10c all linen Towels, 20x43 inches.

25c pair all linen Damask Towels, 18x33 inches.

25c pair all linen Loom Dice Towels, 19x42 inches.

10c one lot Ladies' Wool Sailors and Child's Tam o' Shanters.

15c yard Turkey Red Table Damask, 50 inches.

22c yard Turkey Red, oil boiled and fast color Table Damask, 54 inches wide.

39c Gents' White Shirts, all linen bosom set in, 4-ply waistbands and neck band, re-inforced front and back, good quality muslin.

11c special lot of fine Box Paper and Envelopes.

25c linen finish Box Paper, 60 sheets, 50 envelopes, value 39c as prices run.

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